



St. Matthew's Episcopal Church *Adult Education and Small Groups*

Adult Classes and Study Groups

A wide variety of classes are offered September through April. Details can be found in the newsletter, service bulletin and on the St. Matthew's website, www.stmatt-ky.org. Watch for the Jewish/Christian Dialogue class, and *Dimensions of Faith*, which brings nationally recognized speakers to St. Matthew's.

Adult Classes on Sunday morning are offered after the 10 a.m. service. There are usually several offerings, including special speakers, discussions, clergy-led Bible study, education about the church, and current topics of interest. The Adult Education Committee plans and oversees the schedule.

Contact: Judith Peoples, Adult Education

Bible Study is led by the rector on Monday mornings at 9:45 in the library.

Contact: The Rev. Lucinda Laird

Dimensions of Faith is a lecture series that brings nationally recognized speakers to St. Matthew's. The next speaker is **Sara Miles**, author of "Take This Bread: A Radical Conversion", on November 15.

Contact: Bob Nesmith

Education for Ministry is a four year course based on curriculum from the Sewanee School of Theology. EfM explores the Bible, church history, theology and the world we live in through a theological lens. St. Matthew's has two groups which meet on Monday evenings and Wednesday mornings.

Contact: The Rev. Moray Peoples

Going Deeper Spiritually meets on Thursday mornings every other week in the fall and spring. Topics are explored through books, presentations and experiential practices.

Contact: Sue Bridge

Horizon Readers is a book study group that meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m., and reads up to five books during the year. Anyone is welcome to join the group for the year, or for only one book when interested.

Contacts: Marilyn Swain and Rhody Streeter

The **Library** is a multi-media resource for study and reflection by St. Matthew's parishioners, specifically in the areas of religious education, spiritual inspiration and personal nurture and growth. It is enjoyed by both adults and children and also holds the church archives. Hours are Sunday, 8:45-9:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m., and Monday-Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Contacts: Lee Fletcher and Kathy Bowling

The **Oral History Project** has started at St. Matthew's. Longtime parishioners are being interviewed and video recorded. The interviews will be available in the Library Archives.

Contacts: Ann Miller and Jean Bower

Parents In Conversation is a Sunday adult education offering that meets in the Lounge to discuss issues of children, 'tweens and teens.

Contact: René Strause

Via Media is an 8 week program that meets weekly with a simple supper to explore Christian Faith and the Episcopal Church. Groups form in the fall and the spring.

Contacts: Robin Garr and Mary Johnson

Women in Conversation is a weekly Thursday morning Book Study for mothers of young children.

Contact: Lynn Miller

Women in Conversation after Dark! is a monthly book study. WICAD meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 6-9 p.m., and a different book is discussed each month.

Contact: Debbi Rodahaffer

The **Website**, www.stmatt-ky.org, is a primary source of up-to-date information for parishioners and others who want to learn about St. Matthew's.

Contacts: Ed Hill and Mike Wright

Small Groups

These small groups provide a variety of opportunities. In addition to the groups listed, other ministries such as the Music Program and the Children's Program plan social events throughout the year. Still don't see what you're looking for? Bring up an idea and let's explore it!

- The **Art Group** meets on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. and includes beginning to experienced artists.
Contact: Aidan Stone
- The **Book Group** meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Lounge for lively discussion of a previously chosen book.
Contact: Barbara Beury
- **Cursillo**, a "short course" on the Christian faith, offers spiritual growth and increased theological understanding in the context of a loving and caring community. Cursillo is open to all adult members of the parish and begins with a weekend retreat. The next Cursillo is September 17-20 at All Saints Center.
Contact: Faith Huff
- **Foyers** are small social dinner groups that meet in parishioners' homes, or visit restaurants. Groups are randomly assigned and meet every 4-6 weeks for fellowship and fun. Newcomers are especially encouraged to join.
Contact: Sue Bridge
- The **Ladies Lunch Bunch** gets together the 3rd Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m. Always a new restaurant! Watch the newsletter and bulletin for more information.
Contact: Betty Triplett

- The **Men's Breakfast Group** meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at Denny's on Dutchman's Lane.
Contact: Aidan Stone
- The **Social Bridge Group** plays for fun the first Monday evening of the month at 7 p.m., October through June. Subs are needed too, if you would like to play but cannot commit to every month.
Contacts: Kay Vandrick and Anne Hampton
- **Young Adults** (for those 21-40) has various activities such as Sunday brunch outings, movie nights, fellowship at Flanagan's, bowling and others.
Contacts: Sarah Emery and Brad Kimbrough

Parish Mission Statement

*Our mission is to be a caring, inclusive community,
centered in the Eucharist and grounded in the Gospel,
so that we can reach out as Christ's hands to the world.*

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